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SENATOR ALLARD ADDS AMENDMENT TO DEFENSE BILL TO TRANSFER TITLE TO AIR FORCE PROPERTY AT LA JUNTA AIRPORT TO CITY OF LA JUNTA

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-Colorado) has introduced an amendment to the 2006 Defense Authorization bill that will transfer surplus Air Force property at the La Junta City Airport to the city.

The property was formerly referred to as the La Junta Strategic Training Range Complex Air Force installation site, and was used for electronic scoring. It now sits vacant and has been declared surplus.

“The Air Force no longer needs this property, and La Junta can put it to good use. There is no reason to delay this transfer, and I am optimistic the Senate will agree with my amendment,” Senator Allard said.

The property is located at the La Junta Airport and Industrial Park adjacent to the Otero Junior College Police Academy training area. The City of La Junta plans to use part of it as a training facility for the police academy, and for economic development.

Although the property would be transferred to the city at no cost, La Junta would be responsible for any survey, environmental assessment and conveyance costs.

The 2006 Defense Authorization bill is expected to pass the Senate next week.

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